REMARKS

This is intended as a supplemental response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 4, 2005. Claims 1-28 remain pending in the application and are shown above. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Examiner MacArthur called on August 12, 2005 to inform Applicant that claims 1-28 will be rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims of (U.S. No. Patent 5,853,609) and claims of (U.S. Patent No. 6,077,157).

Applicants enclose herewith a terminal disclaimer to obviate all prior and proposed double patenting rejections. The terminal disclaimer is not an admission that the present claims are not patentably distinct from the claims of the cited references. Applicants simply expedite prosecution by obviating the rejection to place the application in condition for allowance. Withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

The secondary references made of record are noted. However, it is believed that the secondary references are no more pertinent to the Applicant's disclosure than the primary references cited in the office action. Therefore, Applicant believes that a detailed discussion of the secondary references is not necessary for a full and complete response to this office action.

Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

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